

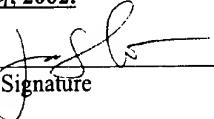
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**RESPONSE TO REQUIREMENT FOR RESTRICTION AND AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

**1) Response to Restriction Requirement**

This is in response to the Restriction Requirement dated September 13, 2001 (Paper No. 11). Submitted herewith is a petition for a three-month extension of time and appropriate fee, making a response due on or before January 13, 2002. Because January 13, 2002 falls on a Sunday, a response filed by Monday, January 14, 2002 is considered timely filed.

The Examiner therein required election of one of the following groups of claims:

Group I: Claims 1-14, drawn to an in vitro method of identifying an agent that modulates the association of a transcription regulator disclosed in SEQ ID NO:32, class 435, subclass 6.